

## Gateway

Gateway is your entrance to Community Resources. This program provides a service to the consumer for information and admission to home and community-based services for elderly and disabled Georgians, their families, and other caregivers. This program employs a program supervisor, a resource specialist, a home and community based case manager, a registered nurse and three screening specialists to receive inquiries regarding services and resources. In some cases, the caller's needs can be easily addressed by providing a referral to a community resource or allied agency. In other



instances, the staff will perform an assessment of needs through a guided interview process, which allows staff to better assist the callers in finding appropriate services. The Gateway program seeks to remove barriers to information and access to services, which support Georgians remaining in their homes and communities.



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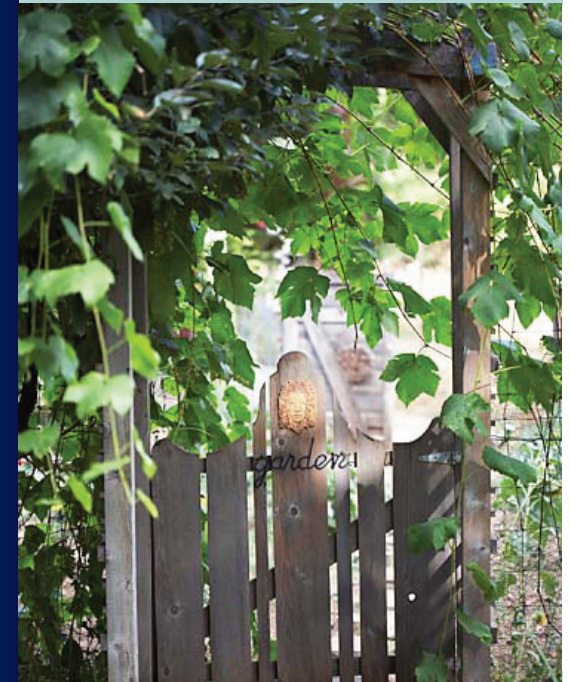
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Area Agency on Aging

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**Serving Senior Citizens  
Since 1966**

# Vision: Living Long, Living Safely, Living Well

***Getting Older is easier when there's someone nearby to help!***



Under the contract with the Georgia Division of Aging Services, the SOWEGA Council on Aging/Area Agency on Aging provides information and makes referrals to resources for seniors and disabled individuals. This is to ensure that seniors, their families, and caregivers are knowledgeable about the resources and programs available to them, both in the home and the community at large.

To achieve this goal, the AAA maintains a staff of trained Information and Assistance Specialists who respond to more than 650 calls each month, helping seniors maintain independence and putting them in touch with service providers who can assist them in a variety of ways. Gateway can assist people of many languages through our Language Line and through the Georgia Relay for the Hearing Impaired.



## Mission Statement:

The SOWEGA Council on Aging coordinates a system of services that promotes the well-being and independence for older and disabled Georgians and helps them to achieve healthy and self-sufficient lives.

## Purpose: Accountability and Results

Respond to changing needs and preferences of our diverse and growing elderly population.

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